

**DEBTOR'S MOTION FOR ORDER  
TO SHOW CAUSE AND SANCTIONS  
AGAINST CREDITOR APPLE INC. (21011446)**

**CHAPTER 7 CASE No: 25-11496**

**EXHIBIT B**

**AUGUST 28 2025**

## **RE: Gjovik v Apple | Regarding Orrick's Attendance at Plaintiff's August 21 2025 Bankruptcy Proceedings (341 Meeting of Creditors)**

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From Perry, Jessica R. <jperry@orrick.com>

To Ashley Gjovik <ashleymgjovik@protonmail.com>, Booms, Ryan <rbooms@orrick.com>, Mantoan, Kathryn G. <kmantoan@orrick.com>, Riechert, Melinda <mriegchert@orrick.com>

Date Sunday, August 24th, 2025 at 11:49 PM

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Ashley,

We disagree that it was inappropriate for a person from Orrick to attend the public hearing in the bankruptcy court that occurred on Thursday. And we reject your attempt to blame us for any failure on your part to provide complete and accurate information in the proceedings, as well as your other baseless accusations.

Regards,

Jessica

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**From:** Ashley M. Gjøvik <ashleymgjovik@protonmail.com>

**Sent:** Thursday, August 21, 2025 9:40 AM

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**Subject:** Gjovik v Apple | Regarding Orrick's Attendance at Plaintiff's August 21 2025 Bankruptcy Proceedings (341 Meeting of Creditors)

**[EXTERNAL]**

Dear Counsel,

I write to document my concerns regarding Orrick's attendance at my Section 341 Meeting of Creditors on Aug. 21 2025 in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court.

While I acknowledge your right to attend public court proceedings, I must note the inappropriate nature of your firm's conduct and its impact on my testimony to the bankruptcy court, as I objected to in the proceeding.

Apple knows I primarily blame it for denylisting me and causing my financial demise, including driving me into bankruptcy. Apple is also a creditor regarding my AppleCard debt (which is almost entirely WestLaw fees), along with Goldman Sachs. Yet, Apple chose to send Ryan Booms, who serves as noticed employment litigation defense counsel in civil litigation (3:23-cv-04597) and the Dept. of Labor whistleblower adjudication, rather than bankruptcy or financial counsel who would typically handle such proceedings. It also appears that Goldman Sachs did not appear -- nor did any of my other creditors. Apple's choice to appear with retaliation defense counsel also occurred during active discovery disputes in our employment litigation.

The visible presence of opposing retaliation counsel created a chilling effect on my testimony and may have compromised my ability to provide the complete financial disclosure that bankruptcy proceedings require. This apparent intentional intimidation by Apple continues a documented pattern of Apple monitoring and interfering with my participation in legal proceedings beyond the scope of our employment dispute, and beyond the boundaries of lawful litigation tactics. Federal and state agencies have already determined that Apple's retaliation was unlawful and that my underlying disclosures identified genuine violations and safety concerns -- thus there's no legitimate basis for Apple's conduct here.

Apple's tactics today create an impossible position where Apple's mere presence, which is intentionally intimidating and chilling, would cause any reasonable person in my position to be unable to fully exercise their rights in bankruptcy proceedings without facing retaliation in separate litigation or further obstruction of other proceedings. This ongoing, systematic harassment reflects a continuance of the very retaliation claims that brought us to litigation in the first place including my complaints about civil rights violations and intentional infliction of emotional distress.

While you may characterize your attendance as information gathering, the choice to send named employment litigation counsel rather than appropriate finance counsel, and the lack of Goldman Sachs or any other creditor, reveals Apple and Orrick's true purpose as intimidation rather than legitimate case development. Apple's appearance today also appeared to me, to represent Apple delighting in the spectacle of my financial demise, which Apple itself expressly threatened me would occur in 2021, if I was to pursue litigation and adjudication against it, which I did.

I preserve all objections to this conduct, its harm to me generally, and its interference with my constitutional rights in bankruptcy proceedings.

- Ashley

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**Ashley M. Gjøvik**

**BS, JD, PMP**

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